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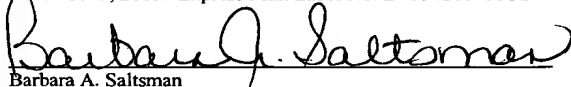
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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Application No.:	09/788,179	Confirmation No.:	5313
Applicant:	Timothy P. Meier, et al.		
Filed:	February 16, 2001		
Art Unit:	2621		
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**COMMUNICATION TO RECORD SUBSTANCE OF TELEPHONE INTERVIEW**

Sir:

A telephone interview was held December 8, 2005 between Examiner Brian Le and applicants' representative George S. Blasiak to discuss the above application. The Examiner stated that the finality of the Advisory Action Before the Filing of an Appeal Brief of November 21, 2005 would be withdrawn on the filing of a Request for Continued Examination ("RCE") to allow entry of new claims 58-71 filed in the response of November 3, 2005.

U. S. Patent Application No.: 09/788,179  
Remarks to Accompany Filing of an RCE Dated December 9, 2005  
Reply to Advisory Action Before the Filing of An Appeal Brief of November 21, 2005

Applicants' agreed to file an RCE to remove the finality of the Advisory Action Before the Filing of an Appeal Brief of November 21, 2005 and to allow entry of new claims 58-71 of the Amendment dated November 3, 2005.

Accordingly, in view of the above remarks, applicants believe the claims of the present application to be in condition for allowance and respectfully request reconsideration and passage to allowance of the application.

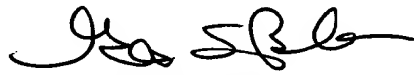
If the Examiner believes that contact with applicants' attorney would be advantageous toward the disposition of this case, the Examiner is herein requested to call applicants' representative at the phone number listed below.

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Respectfully submitted,

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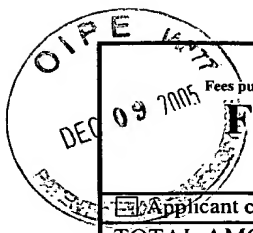
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		Filing Date	February 16, 2001
		First Named Inventor	Timothy P. Meier
		Examiner Name	Brian Q. Le
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**FEE CALCULATION**

1. BASIC FILING, SEARCH, AND EXAMINATION FEES							
Application Type	FILING FEES		SEARCH FEES		EXAMINATION FEES		Fees Paid (\$)
	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	
Utility	300	150	500	250	200	100	
Design	200	100	100	50	130	65	
Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80	
Reissue	300	150	500	250	600	300	
Provisional	200	100	0	0	0	0	

2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES							Small Entity
Fee Description							Fee (\$)
Each claim over 20 or, for Reissues, each claim over 20 and more than in the original patent							50
Each independent claim over 3 or, for Reissues, each independent claim more than in the original patent							200
Multiple dependent claims							360
Total Claims		Extra Claims		Fee (\$)		Fee Paid (\$)	Multiple Dependent Claims
	- 20 or HP =		x		=		Fee (\$)
HP= highest paid number of total claims paid for, if greater than 20							Fee Paid (\$)
Indep. Claims		Extra Claims		Fee (\$)		Fee Paid (\$)	
	- 3 or HP =		x		=		
HP = highest number of independent claims paid for, if greater than 3							

**3. APPLICATION SIZE FEE**

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**4. OTHER FEES**

Non-English Specification, \$130 fee (no small entity discount)	
Other: Request for Continued Examination Fee (\$790) and One Month Extension of Time Fee (\$120)	\$910.00

**SUBMITTED BY**

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